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WARE VALLEY
GARDENS

Roy W. West

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WARE VALLEY GARDENS

1942 SEASON

In sending our list of fine Gladiolus for the 1942 season we wish to express our appreciation and thanks for the orders received from our customers last season.

Our business is steadily increasing each year and in return for the confidence placed in us we intend to send out only quality stock that will be sure to grow and bloom in your garden. We fully realize that a satisfied customer is our best advertisement.

The following list contains many new varieties not listed previously in our catalogue and are recommended to you for trial in your garden. Our bulbs are clean, healthy and free from disease and thrip.

All orders are filled with a generous count and extras are included for trial. If you have a preference for any varieties that you would like to try, please mention it on your order giving several from which to select from.

TERMS—Cash with order or 25% with order, balance C. O. D. POSTAGE STAMPS will not be accepted in payment for bulbs. It is only fair that stamps used in shipping orders be purchased from our local Post Office.

MINIMUM ORDER—No order for less than \$1.00 will be accepted. No single item for less than 10 cents.

DISCOUNT—When cash in full is sent with order you can deduct 10% cash discount or select 15% of your order in extra bulbs. Discount does not apply on collections or on wholesale list.

SHIPMENT—Any time you request, either Parcel Post or Express.

It will be our pleasure to serve our old customers again this year and would appreciate the opportunity of serving you if you have not sent us an order before.

WARE VALLEY GARDENS

R. W. West

GENERAL LIST

3 or more bulbs at the 10 rate. Bulblets, 25 or more at the 100 rate.

No single item for less than 10 cents.

		Large :			Per Bu	ılblets
ALADDIN (Palmer) Bright salmon with large cream blotch. A very fine ruffled variety	1 10	.15 1,20	215	210	25 100	.10
ALBATROSS (Pfitzer) Tall growing pure white. Large florets. Midseason	10		.25	.15	100	.10
ALCHEMIST Deep yellow. Good color with several flowers open	2 10	.10	.20	.10	100	.10
ALGONQUIN (Palmer) Bright glowing scarlet with large wide open blooms. One of the best new reds	10	.15 1.20	215	210	25 100	.10
AMADOR (Kingsley) Popular brilliant red with 6-8 blooms open	2 10	.12	310 .25	.15	50 100	.15 .25
AMERICAN COMMANDER (New) Clear rich red without markings. Tall strong grower with many open. An extra fine variety	1	.40	.25	.15	10	.20
ANGELUS (Palmer) Clear pink with cream throat. Tall spike with 6-8 blooms open	10	.12	.35	.20	50 100	.15 .25
ARABELLA (Pfitzer) Dark glossy red, almost black 5-6 open on tall spike. One of the best in this color but hard to increase	1	.20	.15	.10	10	.15
ARIOSA(Pfitzer) White with small violet blotch. 4-5 large blooms open on good spike. Early	1	.75	.50	.25	10	.50
BEACON (Palmer) Bright scarlet with large cream blotch. Very attractive	2 10	.15 .55	415	.15	100	.10
BEOWULF (Christ) Tall lavender rose. A good late blooming variety	2 10	.15	415	.15	100	.10.
BIT O'HEAVEN (Crow) Orange with yellow throat. Tall spike with several open blooms	2 10	.12	310	.15	35 100	.10 .25
BLUE ADMIRAL (Christ) A tall spike of rich deep blue. Large florets. One of the best deep blues.	2 10	.12	310 .25	.15	100	.25
BLUE BEAUTY (Pfitzer) Light blue shading darker towards edge. Large wide open blooms. Tall strong grower	2 10	.15	210	.20	30 100	.10
BOB WHITE (Zimmer) Tall large white with rose marking on lower petals	2 10	.12	310 .25	.15	40 100	.10
CAMELIA (Palmer) Large blush white with orange blotch. Spike tall and straight	2 10	.14	310	.20	40- 100	.10 .20
CARILLON (Palmer) Beautiful light pink with ivory cream throat. Flowers slightly ruffled	10	.15 1.20	215	210	20 100	.10
CHAMOUNY (Baerman) Tall deep rose with silvery border. An excellent variety. Al- ways straight	1	.30	.20	.10	100	.20 1.50

		-		n Small	Per Bu	ihlets
CHARMAINE (New) Rose with deeper throat. An early strong grower and good propagator	10	.25 2.00	.15	215	10 100	1.00
CHAS. DICKENS (Pfitzer) An outstanding tall purple	2 10	.12	.25		40 100	.10
CHEIF RED BIRD Large blooming red with many open. Tall strong grower	10	.15 1.20	215	210	20 100	.10
CHRISTABEL (Mitsch) Tall light pink with creamy throat. An excellent late midseason variety	2 10	.12	310 .25	510	100	.10
der. Tall strong grower with straight spike	1	.15	.10	210	10	.10
COMMANDER KOEHL (Pfitzer) Very popular deep red. Tall straight spike with many flowers open.	2 10	.10	410	.15	40 100	.10
conquest (Mitsch) A light salmon pink with cream throat blotch. Good placement and grower	10	.15	310	.20	100	.10
CORAL GLOW. (Ellis) A fine clear coral rose with orange sheen. Very beautiful and distinctive	1	.15	.10	210	10	.10
DEBONAIR. (Palmer) Clear light pink. Tall straight spikes opening 6-8 flowers at one time	10	.10	.25	.15	40 100	.10
D O X(Pfitzer) Tall large light yellow with 5-6 open flowers	2 10	.12	.35	.20	25 100	·.10 .30
DR HOEG(Prest) A glistening dark red with medium blooms. One of the best dark reds	2 10	.12	4-15	.15	40 100	.10 .20
EARLY ROSE (Jack) A rich velvety rose with lighter throat. An extra fine and outstanding variety	2 10	.12	310	.15	40 100	.10
ELOISE (Dorrett) Tall lavender with deeper lines in throat. 8 or more flowers open on tall straight spike	2 10	.10	412	.15	40 100	.10
EUIDES (Errey) White flecked pink 6-8 flowers well arranged on spike of average height	2 10	.15	310		40 100	.10
EUTERPE Early light lavender. Florets not always well placed but good on account of its earliness	10	.15	310 .40	.20	30 100	.10
FIREFLY (Palmer) Early bright scarlet with white lines on lower petals. One of the best early bright reds	2 10	.15	.10	410	30 100	.10
GARDENIA (Scheer) Creamy white. Good clean self color. One of the best in this color	1 10	.10	2-15 .50	.25	25 100	.10
GOLD DUST (Pfitzer) Early deep yellow. In our opinion this is the finest early deep yellow, and recommend it for trial	2 10	.15	210 .40	310	25 100	.10 .25
GOLDEN CHIMES (Ellis) A large ruffled light yellow	2 10	.12	.30		40	.10
GOLDEN LANCER (Heberling) A good yellow with size and substance. Tall straight spike	10		310	510	50 100	.10 .15

		-		m Small		ulblets
GRETA GARBO (Pfitzer) Large light rose with creamy lip. Open 6-7 large blooms, on tall straight spike	1	.50	.35	.20	10	.25
HARVEST MOON (Jack) Clear medium yellow. 5-6 open on tall straight spike. An excellent variety	2 10	.15	.10	310	25 100	.10
HECTOR (Palmer) Salmon scarlet with cream throat. Early midseason, 5-6 large ruffled blooms open at a time	2 10	.12	310		50 100	.10 .15
HERITAGE (Ristow) Rich pure pink with lighter upper throat. Spike tall with 8-10 flowers open	2 10	.12	310	.15	50 100	.10
HIND. MEMORY (Pfitzer) Deep velvety red. Large well placed flowers on good spike	10		.15 1.20	215	15 100	.10
HINEMOA (Doney) Large rose red with creamy yellow blotch. An odd combination of colors, but very striking	2°	.15	.10	310	15 100	.10
IRAK (Mitsch) Clear gray. Sport of Bagdad. A beautiful and popular variety	2 10	.15	310	.20	50 100	.10
ISOLA BELLA (Pfitzer) Iarge ruffled lilac lavender. Tall fine variety	2 10	.15	310	.20		
JASMINE (Palmer) Clear distinctive shade of light yellow. Beautifully ruffled with 6-7 blooms open on tall strong spike	1	.15	215	210	20	.10
JOSEPH HAYDN (Pfitzer) Light blue with deep darker blotch. Large flowers on tall spike with 5-6 open. Stem rather weak	1	.20	.15	.10	20 100	1.00
J. S. BACH (Pfitzer) Salmon orange. Very large flowers on tall spike. Very early	2 10	.12	1 2		40 100	.10
KING ARTHUR (Arenius) An excellent large ruffled lavender. Always in demand	2 10	.12	310	.15	40 100	.10 .20
KING LEAR (Palmer) Clear reddish purple. Flowers large and very ruffled. Early with 5-6 blooms open	1	.15	215	210	25	.10
LA FIESTA (Sal) Tall bright orange, deeper in throat. Opens 10-12 flowers at a time	2 10	.12	310	.15	40 100	.10 .20
LAVENDER QUEEN (Arenius) Deep violet lavender sometimes flecked deeper. Tall straight spike with 6-8 flowers open. One of the best lavenders	10	.15	210	410	20 100	.10
LAVINA (Prestgard) A tall fine pink, a very beautiful variety	1	.15	.10	210	20 100	.10
LEONA (Pruitt) Tall deep rose red. 6-8 blooms on strong wiry stems. Much in demand	2 10	.12	310		15 100	.10
LIBELLE (Pfitzer) A fine early light blue	10		310	.15	40 100	.10
LONDONDERRY (Christ) Smoky orange with red markings in throat. Tall and late	2 10	.12 .50	310	.15	40 100	.10
LORD SELKIRK (Twomey) Large milky white with cream throat. Opens 12 or more flowers at one time	1	1.00	.75	.50	10	.10 .75

		0	Medium 34"-114"			ilblets
LOTUS (Prestgard) Large cream tinged pink, slightly ruffled. A beautiful and showy flower	10	.10 .45	.25		40	.10
LUCIFER (Errey) Tall straight orange red, with deeper blotch in throat. Flowers large and showy	2 10	.12	310		40 100	.10
MAID OF ORLEANS (Pfitzer) Tall and straight white with cream throat. One of the best	2 10	.12	310 .25	.15	40 100	.10
MARGARET BEATON (Twomey) Pure white with small scarlet blotch. A very beautiful variety and very popular	10		.15 1.20	.10	15 100	.10
MARGARET FULTON (Ogrod.) Rich salmon pink. Solid color. Early and very fine	10	.10	.20	.12	50 100	.10
MARY ANSTEEN (Young) Deep rose pink. 5 or more large flowers open but inclined to be short stemmed	10	.10 .40	.20	.12	100	.10
MASTER MYRON (Krueger) Brilliant rich red. Outstanding variety as to height, size of flower and color. A very fine variety	1	.70	.60	.50	1	.10
MILDRED LOUISE (Wentworth) Large strawberry pink with lighter throat	2 10	.10	410 .25		50 100	.10
MILFORD (Rides) Large light blue with many open	2 10	.15	210 .30	.15	50 100	.10
MINUET (Coleman) Best and most popular lavender	2 10	.10 .40	.25	.15	50	.10
MONTENEGRO Very deep dark red. Large flowers on average height spike	2 10	.10	.25	.15	50 100	.10
MOTHER MACHREE (Stevens) Smokey lavender with salmon tint. Color hard to describe. One of the most beautiful varieties in this color class	2 10	.12	310	.20		
NANA(Pfitzer) Tall pure white. Plant strong and vigorous. Large well placed flowers on tall straight spike	1 10		.75 6.00	.50 4.00	2 25	1.00
OEGANDA (Pfitzer) Very dark red, almost a solid black color with a silky sheen., 5-6 blooms open on a tall straight wiry spike	10	.15 1.20	.10	210	15 100	.10
ORANGE PRINCESS (De Groot) Orange salmon with small crimson marking. Well placed flowers on tall spike	10	.10	.25	.15	50 100	.10
PARADISE (Pruitt) Tall early apricot with 5-6 good size blooms open	2 10	.10	.25	.15	50 100	.10 .15
PAUL GRAMPEL (Pfitzer) Bright scarlet red. 5-6 well placed large blooms on tall wiry stems. One of the best early reds	1	.15	.10	210	10 100	.10 .75
PEGGY LOU (Wilson) Large rose pink. Winner of many awards. Opens several large blooms at a time	2 10	.15	.10 .40	410 .20	40 100	.10
PELEGRINA (Pfitzer) Rich dark violet blue. One of the best in the deep blue color class. Very popular	2 10	.12	310 .25	.15	40 100	.10

			Medium 3/4"-11/4"			ulblets
PFITZERS MASTERPIECE (Pfitzer) One of the most beautiful light pink with creamy throat. Very outstanding. Spikes sometimes crook	1	.20	.15	.10		
PHYLLIS MC QUISTON (Stewart) Beautiful rose pink with lighter throat. Tall straight spikes	2 10	.12	310 .25	.15	50 100	.10 .15
PICARDY (Palmer) Salmon pink. Large blooms on a tall straight spike. One of the most popular varieties	2 10	.12	310 .25		50 100	.10
PRIMROSE PRINCESS Primrose yellow. Large flowers on medium height stems	2 10	.12	310 .25	.15	50 100	.10
PURPLE BEAUTY (Roozen) Clear deep purple. Large flowers on medium height spike. Tends to spot in wet weather. Sug- gest cutting and opening inside	10	.15 1.20	.10 .80	210 .40	15 100	.10 .50
RED LORY (Errey) Rose red shading deeper in throat, opens 8-10 large blooms at a time	2 10	.12 .50	310	.15	50 100	.10 .15
RED PHIPPS (Briggs) Bright red. 6-7 large well placed flowers open on tall straight spike	2 10	.12	310 .25	.15	50 100	.10
REWI FALLU (Fallu) Early deep red. Very large blooms of heavy texture. Opens 6-8 blooms on tall spike.	10		415	.15	50 100	.10 .15
RIMA (Mitsch) Pale orchid with a frosty scheen. A beautiful and outstanding variety	10	.10 .80		210	20	.10
ROBERT BURNS (Christ) Deep violet blue. Spike tall and straight. Color very similar to Blue Admiral	2 10	.15		.25	25 100	.10
ROSA VAN LIMA (Holland) Pure clear pink. A very beautiful and outstanding variety. Flowers large on tall straight spike	1 10	.10 .80		312	20 100	.10 .40
ROSE MARIE PFITZER (Pfitzer) A large ruffled white tinted pink. 8-10 large blooms open on a tall straight spike.	10	.50		.15	40 100	.10
SANDRA (Palmer) Light Shrimp pink with small amber blotch. A very fine and beautiful variety	10	.12		.15	40 100	.10 .20
SCHOONOORD (Holland) Tall new white of recent introduction. Blooms large on a good stem.	1	.20	.15	.10	10	.20
SENSATION (Marshall) Soft rose shading lighter in upper throat. Opens many large florets on tall spike	1	.35	.25	.15	10	.25
SHIRLEY TEMPLE (Pruitt) Large ruffled cream, blooms best with us from medium size bulbs. The demand for this variety has always exceeded the supply	10	.12		.15	40 100	.10
SILENTIUM (K & M) A very attractive variety. Tall perfect spikes of white with small carmine markings in throat. Flowers large with 6-8 open	1	1.00	.75	.50	10	.10
SNOW PRINCESS (Pfitzer) Large white with cream throat. Straight, strong spikes with flowers well placed 6-8 open	10	.80	210	310	10 100	. 80

		0	Medium 3/4"-11/4"			ulblets
STAR OF BETHLEHEM (Pfitzer) Very large tall white. Blooms early with 6-8 open.	2 10	.12	310 .25	.15	40 100	.10
STREAK O'BUTTER Tall yellow with deeper throat	10	.10 .45	312 .30	.15	40 100	.10
SWEET ALIBI (Canine) Deep pink with lighter throat. Ruffled. Tall fine variety opening 6-8 large flowers at a time	1	.20	.15	.10	15 100	1.00
TIMBUCTOO (Zimmer) Deep rose red. Large bloom with 6-8 open. One of the best in this color	10		.10	210	50 100	.15
VAGABOND PRINCE (Palmer) Mahog- any brown with scarlet blotch. A distinct and unusual color	10	.12	415	.15	40 100	.10
VALERIA (Pruitt) Tall bright self red. 6-8 well placed blooms on tall straight stem.	1	.12	215	210	25	.15
VREDENBURG (Pfitzer) An outstanding early white. Opens 6-8 large well placed flowers on straight, strong spike	10	.10 .75	315	310	15 100	.10
WENONAH (Kinyon) Tall exhibition salmon pink opening up to 10 large well placed blooms on a good spike.	1	.40				
WHITE TRIUMPHATOR (Salmon) Large pure white flowers. Tall and early.	2 10	.12	310	.15	25 100	.10
ZUNI (Mitsch) Silvery rose smoky with small salmon markings. Many open on straight tall spike. An outstanding variety.	1 10	.10 .80	212	.30	15 100	.10

WHOLESALE PRICES-Not Prepaid

3 or more bulbs of a size and variety at 10 rate, 25 or more bulbs of a size and variety at 100 rate. 250 bulblets at 1000 rate. ½ pint bulblets at quart rate.

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		No. 1	No. 2			No. 5			Quart
ALADDIN	10			.60	.50	.35	.25	3.00	
ALBATROSS	100			1.20	1.00	.80	.50	.75	2.00
ALCHEMIST	100		2.00	1.50	1.20	1.00	.75	.75	2.00
AMADOR	100			1.50	1.20	.90	.60	.75	2.00
AMERICAN									
COMMANDER	100					7.50	5.00	10.00	
ANGELUS	100	5.00	4.00	3.50	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	
BEACON	100			1.50	1.20	.90	.60	.75	2.50
BEOWULF	100			1.75	1.50	1.25	.75	.75	2.00
BIT O'HEAVEN	100	2.50	2.30	1.90	1.50	1.10	.80	.75	2.00
BLUE BEAUTY	100	5.00	4.00	3.20	2.40	2.00	1.50	2.00	
BOB WHITE	100		2.00	1.50	1.25	1.00	.60	.50	1.50
CAMELLIA	100				2.00	1.50	1.00	1.50	4.00
CHAMOUNY	10				1.20	1.00	.80	10.00	
CHARMINE	10			1.00	.70	.50	.30	6.00	
CHEIF RED BIRD	100				5.00	3.00	2.00	1.75	4.00
DEBONAIR	100	2.00	1.50	1.20	.80	.50	.30		.50
DR HOEG	100	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.20	.80	.60	.75	2.00
EUIDES	100	4.00	3.20	2.60				1.00	2.50
EUTERPE	100			3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	2.00	
FIREFLY	100	4.00	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.60	1.00	1.50	4.00
GARDENIA	100	6.00	5.00	4.25	3.50	2.75	1.50	2.00	5.00
GOLD DUST	100				2.40	2.00	1.25	1.50	
GOLDEN LANCER	100			1.20	1.00	.80	.50	.75	2.00
HINDENBURGS	100				•				
MEMORY	100				4.00	3.00	2.50	4.00	
IRAK	100	3.50	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.00	1.00	
JOSEPH HADYN	100				10.00	7.00	5.00	7.00	
KING ARTHUR	100	2.00	1.50	1.20	.80	.50	.30		1.00
LA FIESTA	100		2.00	1.50	1.20	.80 %	60	1.00	
LAVENDER QUEEN .	100	3.50	3.00	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.20	1.25	3.50
LEONA	100		3.00	2.50				2.00	
LONDONDERRY	100			1.00	.80	.60	.40	.75	2.00
MAID OF ORLEANS	100	2.00	1.60	1.20	1.00	.75	.50	.50	1.00
MARGARET BEATON .	100			5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50	5.00	
MARGARET FULTON	100			1.00	.75	.50	.30		.50
MARY ANSTEEN	100		1.50	1.20	.90	.60	.40		1.00
MASTER MYRON	10			3.60	3.20	2.80	2.50	100 fc	r 4.80
MINUET	100			1.20	1.00				
MONTENEGRO	100	2.40	2.00	1.60	1.20	.90	.60	.75	2.00
NANA	10			5.00	4.00	3.00	2.50	100 fc	r 3.50
ORANGE PRINCESS	100			1.00	.80	.60	.40	.75	2.00
PARADISE	100			1.00	.80	.60	.40		1.00
PEGGY LOU	100	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.10	.75	.50	.75	2.00
PELEGRINA	100	2.00	1.50	1.20	1.00	.75	.50	.50	1.50
PHYLLIS Mc QUISTON	100	2.00	1.50	1.20	1.00	.75	.50		1.00
TITLE MC QUISTON	100		2,00						

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	Per	No. 1	No. 2	No. 3	No. 4	No. 5	No. 6	1000	Quart
PRIMROSE PRINCESS.	100			1.00	.80				.50
RED LORY	100	2.00	1.60	1.20	1.00	.75	.50		1.00
RED PHIPPS	100			1.20	1.00	.75	.50		1.00
REWI FALLU	100				1.20	1.00	.80	1.00	2.50
ROSA VAN LIMA	100	4.00	3.25	2.50	1.90	1.50	1.00	1.50	4.00
SANDRA	100	2.50	2.00	1.50	1.20	.80	.60	1.00	2.50
SHIRLEY TEMPLE	100			1.20	1.00	.75	.50		1.00
SILENTIUM	10				3.50	3.00	2.50	100 fc	or 3.00
SNOW PRINCESS	100	4.50	4.00	3.50	3.00	2.00	1.50	-2.00	6.00
STREAK O'BUTTER	100	2.00	1.50	1.20	1.00	.75	.50	.50	1.50
TIMBUCTOO	100				5.00	4.00	3.00	2.00	
VAGABOND PRINCE	100			1.60	1.20	.80	.50	.75	2.00
VREDENBURG	100			.3.00	2.00	1.50	1.00	.75	2.00
WHITE									
TRIUMPHATOR	100			1.60	1.20	.80	.50	.75	2.00
ZAUBERFLOTE	100			1.50	1.00	.80	.60	.75	2.00

CHOICE COLLECTION

This popular collection contains all colors, from whites, reds, pinks, to the deeper shades of blue and dark red. Each collection of 100 bulbs will have 2 bulbs each of 50 different varieties. No finer collection offered anywhere.

100 LARGE BULBS \$3.00 PREPAID. 50 LARGE BULBS 1.75 PREPAID

The same collection in medium size bulbs at

100 MEDIUM SIZE BULBS \$2,00 PREPAID 50 MEDIUM SIZE BULBS 1.20 PREPAID

BULBLET COLLECTION

Newer Varieties

50 bulblets,	Aladdin		30	bulblets.	Margaret Beaton
15 bulblets,	American Commande	r	4	bulblets,	Master Myron
40 bulblets,	Carillon		6	bulblets,	Nana
15 bulblets,	Chamouny		20	bulblets,	Paul Grampel
20 bulblets,	Charmaine		50	bulblets.	Rosa Van Lima
40 bulblets,	Chief Red Bird		5	bulblets,	Silentium
50 bulblets,	Gardenia		25	bulblets,	Snow Princess
40 bulblets,	Jasmine		5	bulblets,	Ariosa
25 bulblets,	Joseph Hayden		30	bulblets,	Hindenburgs Memory
40 bulblets,	Lavender Queen		30	bulblets,	Purple Beauty
30 bulblets,	Leona		50	bulblets,	Gold Dust

Any 5 lots of the above bulblets for \$.90 Any 10 lots of the above bulblets for 1.60 Any 15 lots of the above bulblets for 2.25 All 22 lots of the above bulblets for 3.00

GLADIOLUS PLANTING AND GROWING NOTES

On receipt of your bulbs the package should be opened to allow fresh air to reach them. If there are many bulbs in a bag it would be better to pour them out into a shallow container. Keep bulbs in a cool temperature, as near 40° to 45° F as possible until planting time.

At planting time we would suggest treating all bulbs, wherever purchased, by soaking in a solution of 1 ounce Corrosive Sublimate to 7 gallons of water for 8 to 10 hours. This soaking helps prevent various fungus diseases and scab on the bulbs and is also said to destroy any thrip that may be on the bulbs. NOTE—Corrosive Sublimate is a deadly poison and care should be taken to prevent it being left where it might cause injury to person or animal.

The bulbs can be planted in rows 18 to 36 inches apart depending on the method of cultivation and the space available. Make the furrows about 6 inches deep in well prepared soil and mix in well at the bottom of the furrow 3 or 4 lbs. of a good commercial fertilizer or Vigiro to each 100 feet of row. Space large bulbs 4 to 5 inches apart and smaller sizes accordingly, either in a single row or in a double row. We prefer the double row as it helps hold up the plants during heavy winds and storms.

Cultivating should be done after a rain or watering, to prevent the soil from becoming hard or crusted on the top. When watering give the ground a good soaking. Frequent cultivation also helps conserve moisture in the soil.

When plants are 6 to 8 inches tall it would be a good time to spray for the control of any thrip that may be present. Your bulbs may have been free of thrip when planted but some may have been carried to your plants by a strong wind from some other planting nearby. Spraying should be done regularly several times during the growing season. We have used the new recommended Tarter Emetic spray for the past few years and find it very effective in controling thrip. The formula is: Tarter Emetic, 4 lbs; sugar (brown or white) 16 lbs; 100 gallons water. Smaller quantities in the same proportion. It has been recommended that a smaller amount of Tarter Emetic, 2 lbs, sugar, 4 lbs, and 100 gallons of water be used but we prefer the original formula which seems to give a better control in our field.

Dig your bulbs about 6 or 8 weeks after blooming or when the tops begin to turn brown. Cut the tops off close to the bulb and put in shallow boxes or trays where there is good air circulation and allow to dry. In from 2 to 4 weeks they will be ready to clean and then the old bulb and roots should be separated from the new bulb.

After cleaning it is good practice to put in Napthalene flakes 1 ounce to 100 large bulbs, using a low container or piece of paper, in the storage box and then cover with papers for a few weeks after which the Napthalene flakes should be removed and the bulbs put in storage for the winter.

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